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the soldiers in the carriage were very glad to accept the invitation to move on. Soon the order came to fall in. The troops were formed in columns of companies, and passed in review before the President, and on over the Long Bridge into Virginia. We were very tired, and as soon as the word "halt" was given, everybody dropped in his tracks to rest.

In a few minutes an old schoolmate came along. Remarking that I looked played out, which I replied was true, he prescribed a dose from his canteen, which had the effect of bracing me up wonderfully. A little of the right kind of medicine in those times did a great deal of good. The corps moved leisurely toward Warrenton Junction, Va., joining the Army of the Potomac at that point and crossing the Rapidan. About noon on May 5 we moved toward the Wilderness. About 2 p. m. we could hear the sound of the firing in front. The battle was on.

Old campaigners knew well what was coming, but some of our recruits hardly seemed to realize the situation. The poor fellows had experience enough in the next 10 days, for by that time those who were alive had become veterans. The column as it marched along was strangely silent; nothing was heard but the tramp, tramp of feet and the clatter of the tin cups and canteens. There was an absence of all joking; anxious looks were exchanged, and as we came nearer the sound grew stronger, and the men began to look pale. I know I did, for I could feel it; no man can help it. I had been under fire before, but always with men who had the same experience as I had myself. Now, I was with a company of men, the most of whom had never been through the ordeal of battle, and being clothed with a little authority, I found myself wondering if I lived through how far I should be held responsible for them. I could see that they were watching those who had "been there," and seemed to be taking their cue from them.

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A large body of the enemy appeared in our front, making demonstrations that were taken by our officers to mean a desire to come into our lines and surrender. They were formed in close column of companies, and appeared to have no arms. They were in plain sight, and were invited to come in by our officers. Suddenly they commenced to deploy into line, not over 100 yards away! "Fire! Give it to them. Aim low!" commanded gallant Maj. Moody, 27th Mich., who discovered their true character the moment the deployment began. Then their arms, which had been kept out of sight, were very conspicuous.

Rumors had been plentiful that the rebels were giving themselves up by companies, and even regiments, but it was never my fortune to get a rebel except by force. But the enemy in this case got the worst of it. A deployment under fire is a very hazardous movement to undertake, especially at close range, and our fire was so effective that they were almost annihilated. Those who could got to cover as quick as possible, and returned our fire.

An Aid from the General's staff came up to get information. The firing was quite brisk, and the lead was flying pretty thick. Our Aid looked over the situation, and having finished his observations, leisurely passed back to the rear, the bullets of the enemy spitting the trees all around him. He was a cool one. He knew many of the men were new, and any undue haste on his part to get to the rear would, if not start a stampede, make the men very uneasy.

It was now evident, from the increased activity in our front, that the enemy was preparing for an aggressive movement, and a charge was determined upon by our forces to try and dislodge him by striking him before he was ready to move.

Relay we went, and soon struck the rebel line, which at first gave way, and we, or part of our force, broke through. But we soon discovered that we were being flanked, and were glad to get out, leaving some of our men in the hands of the other side.



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"Can you help us at sheep-washing next Monday?" asked the farmer; and the first man, who has work enough of his own, but who never yet declined to labor for another if he were but asked, puzzled a moment about the engagements he had already made, and then said he thought he could fix it, and how many sheep were there to wash, anyway?

"Well, that ain't many," said the farmer. "Sheep ain't what they used to be in war-time, though they have to be washed just the same as they ever did. Why, sheep run wild in the roads and made a five-pound fleece, and wool was 40 cents a pound then. My father used to have 50 head on his farm, and it took four men a day's job to drive them sheep to the lake and wash them and get them home again. Them was the times when a man could make money."

And so they talked on and on about the Concord and the effect of his finer fleece, and the Southdown and his better mutton. But all the time the blacksmith was hammering away at a stubborn plowpoint, and remembering a sheep-washing in war-time. The blacksmith was a boy then, barefooted, of course, and just big enough to put around when a dog or a cat came, and just little enough to cry for Resaca. All the men in the neighborhood were gone, it seemed. He was the biggest of four boys, and he was but 12, and his mother called him Dan. There were a few old men, and one or two who were younger, but by no means well. And there were one or two more who were young enough to have fought and strong enough to have been braver, yet who dalled away the Summers at home when even the children knew that men should have been in the army.

Dan's mother had 40 sheep, and Mrs. Tapley, whose farm adjoined, had 40 more; and old man Bent lapsed and grumbled about his pastures and counted half a hundred. Dan had two sisters, both young women grown, and his father was away off there at the front, fighting the ranks that Kenesaw was to shatter presently. Mrs. Tapley's husband had gone down at Pittsburg Landing, and the world was so full of lamentation that she only wept while she worked—and the farm went on.

June came that year, and the sheep needed washing. One of the Tapley girls came over with a bowl of early cherries, and asked Dan's mother how they were going to get the sheep washed.

"I reckon you girls will have to wash them yourselves," said the soldier's wife.

"Well, I reckon we girls can," said the other soldier's daughter, and right there the plan was laid.

Dan's two sisters and the two Tapley girls and Mrs. Pelton, the daughter of lumping and grumbling old man Bent—and no one knew where Mrs. Pelton's husband was, for he went away from the war broke and sent no word—these four, with the help of the little boys, were to wash the sheep that Spring.

Dan—grown, big Dan, now bearded and grained as a blacksmith should be—leaned his hammer on the anvil and told what he remembered of that wonderful day. "I was the biggest boy," said he, "and they expected me to do a good deal of running. I mind them girls went down the road in a little crowd, and I cut across corners, and headed off the sheep and let down the bars at the head of the lake, and started along old man Bent's flock when we came to them, and by 9 o'clock the whole herd was in the straight road to the bank of the lake."

"The little boys held them in a sort of bunch while the girls and me went on and fixed up the pen at the head of the lake, and there we drove in the sheep, and they huddled away in the corner farthest from the water, as sheep will, and crowded there without saying a word, while the girls went into Mrs. Stevens' house and slipped on some old calico dresses that didn't matter much. Be you in a hurry for this plow point, Sam?"

"No—go on; go on." Every man in the shop had composed himself to listen—though all the voices of the season were calling on them to hasten. "And then the girls came out barefooted and laughing a little, though I was the biggest boy there, and I reckon that wasn't a girl in the crowd that hadn't rocked me to sleep. They made me go into the pen and catch a sheep and pull him down into the lake till he floated, and show them how the men kinda supported the sheep on one knee, out there in the water—wash deep—while they washed with both hands in the wool."

"But them girls learned—Lord, how quick they learned! And when they had caught one or two apiece it was easy for them, and they washed a him right cleaner than the men ever had. Of course, they talked some while they was washing, and laughed a little now and then. And one time Betty Tapley went down heels over head in four feet of water because she got a mighty big sheep that she couldn't manage, very well and didn't know where the shallow places was."

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"They hadn't been washing very long when along comes Press Green and Bill Erb, and they wanted to come in and help wash sheep. And nabby that wasn't a spat right there. 'You better be down South, there, fight-in,' said Betty Tapley. 'They need you there a heap worse than we need you here. And you two had better go along about your business—I tell you that!' O. Betty was a Captain—and she is to this day, they tell me. 'Well, sir, them girls all give the feller fits, and the last I seen of them was Press Green's white hat away up there in the bluff road. I had a sort of boy notion they would hide in the hard bushes and watch the girls, but they didn't dare do that."

"After awhile came noon, and there wasn't any dinner ready. My sister Alder said she was hungry, but not one of them would stop till the sheep was half washed; and that time was a long way ahead. "And then John Covert came along. I knowed him as soon as I see his blue coat coming down the road, and a minute after I knowed it was John Ponce with him. They had gone out on the first call for troops and had 'reiterated,' though we all thought they had a right to stay at home. And here they was after three long years of awful fighting, home in June on a two-months' furlough. It was good."

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Brander Matthews also shows a picturesque American element for the use of the literary man in his discussion, in July Scribner, On the Poetry of Place Names. He quotes the criticism of Matthew Arnold on the origin of our place names, and the entirely opposite opinion expressed by Robert Louis Stevenson that there is no part of the world where nomenclature is so rich in poetical, humorous, and picturesque as the United States of America.

Under the title, The Banking Problem, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for July, the evils resulting from incursions discounting notes will be explained by Logan G. McPherson, who gives some suggestions for remedying them.

The most important original article in the Review of Reviews for July is Wm. McKinley, A Study of His Character and Career; by E. V. Smalley, the veteran correspondent and writer. Besides this are The South American Posts and The World's Sporting Impulse. Published at New York. Price 25 cents.

Volume 3 of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the Civil War will soon be ready for distribution. The fourth volume is also prepared for the press, and it is thought that two or three additional volumes will be published during the next fiscal year. The distribution of these valuable works is regulated not by the Navy Department, but by Congress, and consequently the Department is not able to provide copies of the book to those who may erroneously think that the records are published for general distribution. The volumes heretofore published are recognized as being of unusual value to students of the war between the States, and volume 3 and those which follow will be kept up to the same high standard.

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The Evans Advertising Handbook.
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Brander Matthews also shows a picturesque American element for the use of the literary man in his discussion, in July Scribner, On the Poetry of Place Names. He quotes the criticism of Matthew Arnold on the origin of our place names, and the entirely opposite opinion expressed by Robert Louis Stevenson that there is no part of the world where nomenclature is so rich in poetical, humorous, and picturesque as the United States of America.

Under the title, The Banking Problem, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for July, the evils resulting from incursions discounting notes will be explained by Logan G. McPherson, who gives some suggestions for remedying them.

The most important original article in the Review of Reviews for July is Wm. McKinley, A Study of His Character and Career; by E. V. Smalley, the veteran correspondent and writer. Besides this are The South American Posts and The World's Sporting Impulse. Published at New York. Price 25 cents.

Volume 3 of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the Civil War will soon be ready for distribution. The fourth volume is also prepared for the press, and it is thought that two or three additional volumes will be published during the next fiscal year. The distribution of these valuable works is regulated not by the Navy Department, but by Congress, and consequently the Department is not able to provide copies of the book to those who may erroneously think that the records are published for general distribution. The volumes heretofore published are recognized as being of unusual value to students of the war between the States, and volume 3 and those which follow will be kept up to the same high standard.

A Beautiful Book.
The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad has gotten out a beautiful book, which must be a great benefit to all Summer tourists. It has full information as to all places of Summer resort, with pictures of many of their attractive features, maps of the routes to them, and tables of railroad and steamboat fares from different places to them. It will be invaluable to everyone who expects to go away during the Summer. Price 25 cents. Address S. B. Hoge, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, Washington, D. C.

Womanly Sympathy.
[New York Weekly.]
Mrs. Highup—Such shocking stories as the papers do tell! I read to-day of a mother around the corner who tried to kill her children because she could not get them anything to eat.
Mrs. Highup—Cruel creature! Well, I don't know, though. I really believe I would rather starve my poor little Fido than to see him hungry. Marry, go see if you can't coax Fido to eat a little more of that tenderloin.

The Evans Advertising Handbook.
T. C. Evans, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., and one of the foremost advertising agents in the United States, has just gotten out the 20th edition of his Advertising Handbook, and he says of it: "This publication does not claim to be a complete list of Newspapers and Magazines published in the United States, but I do make the claim (which I think can be substantiated on investigation) that there is more real practical information for general advertisers in a concise, systematic form in this little book than in most others (I will not say any others) of greater pretensions."

SHERMAN'S MEMOIRS.